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SUBJECT: DCI-Dr. Brzezinski Meeting, 5 November 1980

Talking points for the DCI to use with Dr. Brzezinski if he wishes to discuss APEX:

- The preparation to implement APEX proceeds, but less rapidly than originally projected. "Day One" will not occur on 1 January 1981. NFIB will discuss a new start-up date on 18 November. Explanation of and indoctrination for the overall scheme has begun. The Community is engaged in coordinating (with multiple iterations of drafts, continuing discomfort from the complex changes and the expected contention between collector and user) the HUMINT, COMINT, and IMAGERY manuals. The first draft of the TECHNICAL manual is expected before the 14th.
- There are two APEX indoctrination TV tapes: One basically on "What and Why" (17 minutes) and the other on "How," with orientation towards secretaries and clerks, registry people, and the like (24 minutes). When you have the time, you might look at them. (A third, about 6 minutes, is for industrial "tin benders" who don't generally handle papers).
- The impact of APEX on working level people would be considerably increased by some visible signs that the leadership of the Executive Branch is serious about eliminating what are perceived as high-level leaks. And, if our people do not see clearly such signs, we will miss one of the opportunities afforded by the introduction of APEX to enhance security in general. Consequently, any significant leak in the next 6-12 months is especially worth pursuing vigorously. Full cooperation.

WORKING PAPER Destroy 1 January 1981 indeed leadership, from Justice seems very desirable in order to produce those signals. I will return to this subject when events warrant a specific action. (The DCI might wish to even go further on the basis of the assessment by and his people of the damage caused by the Aviation Week article on the outlook for imaging satellites).

Again, knowledge of the fact that Nondisclosure Agreements have been signed by senior officials would benefit the APEX indoctrination process. Is Dr. Brzezinski ready to sign his? Is he willing to play a role in getting others to sign? (The APEX Steering Group, CIA's Office of Security, and almost everybody else involved with APEX believes passionately that only elected officials and Federal judges should be allowed access to SCI without signing the APEX NdA).

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